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READ Cleveland's sound money letter on the second page.

The cost of the extra session will be charged up to the Democracy next year, with heavy interest.

If the Democratic party wants to get even with President Cleveland, it should give him another nomination.

The Democratic Senators do not seem to relish the idea of an extra session, and do not hesitate to say that they think Governor Stone has made a mistake in calling one.

With a deficit of \$7,500,000 in the revenues of the government for the first nine days in the current month, how long will it be before that "comfortable surplus" heaves in sight.

It must be aggravating to the Democrats of Missouri to see the Republicans working so harmoniously together, while their own party is torn asunder with strife and contention.

ILLINOIS Democrats are all wrought up over free silver, but whether they decide pro or con it will not cut much of a figure in the politics of that State, since it has declared by rousing Republican majorities that it favors sound money.

It is reported that Chauncey I. Filley is to be appointed street commissioner of St. Louis. If he accepts the job, he might as well give up all hope of ever becoming United States Senator from such a grand State as Missouri. A street cleaner is too small for a senatorial toga.

One reason why the JOURNAL takes so well with its readers, is because it does not fill its columns with patent medicine advertisements to the exclusion of reading matter. When we have to fill up on cheap medicine adds in order to make our business pay, we will begin to think about quitting it.

AMONG other Presidential booms that are being sprung every now and then, Wm. R. Morrison, of Illinois, is mentioned as a possibility. William may be that "good western man" the Democrats are looking for, but as he lives in a State that will give a hundred thousand or so Republican majority in the next election, his boom will never assume serious proportions.

PRESIDENT CLEVELAND has come out boldly for sound money, and thinks it high time a campaign of education should be begun to offset the demoralizing tendencies of the promulgation of the propaganda of free and unlimited coinage of silver. It may be said that the Administration wing of the Democratic party will support this doctrine, and unless the free silver men can control the national convention in 1896, there will be no free silver plank in the Democratic platform.

THE United States Supreme Court has decided that rents from real estate and incomes derived from state and municipal bonds are exempt from the income tax. Thus escape the millionaire land owner and the bloated bond holder from paying the tax, while the man who has his money invested in a small corporation must pay his pro rata tax even though his entire yearly income falls greatly below the \$4,000 limit allowed by law. The Court maintains that to tax rentals would be the same as a direct tax on lands, and is, therefore, unconstitutional. And it furthermore decides that to tax state and municipal bonds would depreciate their value in the market, and was, therefore, an unjust method of taxation. The Court was evenly divided as to the constitutionality of the entire law, and all concurred in the above exemptions. The agitation to repeal the law has already begun, and if the next session of congress fails to act upon it, the Supreme Court will probably continue to dismember it until there will be nothing left to enforce.

BUSINESS throughout the whole country is assuming a healthy tone, prices are going up, and at every hand there seems to be a settled opinion that the worst is over and from now on the country will gradually recover from the business depression under which it has suffered so much in the last two years. This is the natural result of a return of confidence in all commercial lines that the business interests of the country will not be disturbed again through further changes in certain laws upon which business is based. The present tariff law will be suffered to remain as it is for the next two years, as neither of the two parties has the power of changing it, and thus an opportunity is given it to show its practical workings. In the meantime, business will adjust itself accordingly. This country is too resourceful and buoyant to remain dormant long under a misfortune, and by the time another year has flown we are sure to see a return of something like the prosperity that was so general before the late depression set in.

As the result of abrogating the reciprocity treaty the shipments of flour from the United States to Cuba during the first four months under the new tariff law was only 12,355 sacks, against 105,045 sacks for the corresponding four months of 1893. If we remember aright, it was claimed by our Democratic friends that the new tariff law would have the effect of opening a foreign market for our agricultural products, but such exhibits as given above prove the fallacy of the claim. The law has been against the farmer and the stock raiser ever since it went into operation. Under the reciprocity treaties with the South American countries our farmers had a market for a considerable amount of their surplus grain products, from which, under the new tariff law, they are now cut off. The prevailing low price of wheat may be attributed chiefly to this cause. The history of Germany's strictures against our meat products is too well known to need repetition. The farmer is being educated in Democratic theories of political economy, but it is proving an expensive school.

## The New Game Law.

It is unlawful to kill a deer under one year of age, and for five years it will be unlawful to kill a doe. Other deer may be killed between October 1 and January 1. The killing of wild song birds and insectivorous birds, or the destruction of their nests, at any time is prohibited. Wild turkey, prairie chicken, pheasant and quail can be killed between November 1 and January 1, and woodcock, turtle dove, meadow lark and plover, between August 1 and January 1. The trapping or netting of such game at any season is unlawful. The killing of wild duck between April 1 and October 1, is forbidden, as is also the killing of duck or geese between sunset and sunrise or by means of explosives. In this latter provision an exception is made in favor of a person killing on his own premises. The fish law prohibits the placing of nets at the mouth of streams, and, in fact, the use of any fish net or trap, except a minnow net not exceeding fifteen feet in length, commonly used by fishermen for procuring small fish for bait. This law does not apply to private ponds or reservoirs. This law does not, however, repeal a former law making it a felony to kill fish with dynamite and similar high explosives or poison. An infraction of either the game or fish law incurs a fine of from \$10 to \$50. The office of Game and Fish Warden is created, who shall be appointed by the Governor, and serve for two years. It is his duty to see that the game and fish laws are strictly enforced and offenders prosecuted, and that unlawful devices for the destruction of game and fish summarily destroyed. The Warden is to appoint deputies, and the idea is that he will depauperize numerous township constables in vicinities where the law is most likely to be violated. The Warden is to serve without compensation.

## GOOD ROADS.

The road overseer, at present, is placed at a disadvantage with the road law. Said law says that all road work must be finished by October 1st, and after all his force and money has been expended, he is still required to keep the road in repair during the winter and spring months, without money or hands, unless he calls on next year's poll tax. You may notice from this, that there are five months in which to work the road, and seven in which the weather has time to destroy all previous work, the last month being April, which never fails to get in its work by washing out everything that is loose at both ends.

The overseer ought to be compelled to go over all the roads in his district about the last of March and see that all the side ditches are clean, for many of them are liable to be filled up with leaves, and thus turn the water into the road, and ten men could not repair in a day the destruction that an hour's work of one man might have prevented. I believe I can say, without successful contradiction, that where the roads are not well looked after, at least one half of last year's work will be washed out by the first of May. Common sense ought, therefore, teach us that it is better to take a stitch in time than to lose half of what is accomplished in road work every year through negligence. I doubt not but that the intentions of our overseers are good, but the majority of them do not know just where to look for leaks, or how to remedy the trouble when found.

Every overseer ought to draw off on paper a rough map of all the roads in his district and mark on it all the worst places, and attend to them as soon as the spring work opens. If there is money enough in the district, every overseer should have a plow, scraper, wheelbarrow and a good pen-ended, ten-pound hammer for breaking rock.

I believe it would be a good plan to put such county prisoners as cannot pay their fines at work on the roads, instead of maintaining them in idleness at the expense of the tax payers. And if every young man convicted of carrying a pistol had to put in thirty-three days work on the roads, it is my opinion that fire arms would soon be at a discount.

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## Exchange Notes and Chippings.

Mr. C. T. Martin of Bismarck, will sell out his stock of goods and retire from business.

The stockholders of Sullivan Bank met at Dr. Lane's office 2 p. m., April 16, at a call of the arrangement for the bank, which will soon be open and ready for business. Sullivan Star.

An exchange sports it takes, this "flow down" of our hearts is cash on subscription when the generous subscriber presents it to view, but the man who won't pay, we refrain from description, for perhaps, gentle reader that might be you.

Wm. Warrack, late editor of Wayne county has disappeared leaving his bondsmen to look after a shortage of \$347.17, so it is reported. Warrack settled with the treasurer on March 20th, giving him check for the above amount on the Farmers Bank, receiving the treasurer's receipt in full for all dues. When the check was presented for payment, it was found that Warrack had no \$347.17 to his credit, instead of \$340. Dr. Lane and Graham explain the shortage.

## The Cyclone Lead Mine.

The site of the celebrated Cyclone lead mine, situated about five miles west of Richwoods, Washington county, has just been brought to a consummation. On the 1st inst., Mr. M. M. Flynn, one of the four owners, who has had it in charge, gave possession of the mine to the purchasers, an Eastern syndicate, having previously received the price, \$25,000.

The owners of the mine were Mr. M. M. Flynn, of Richwoods; Mrs. Dr. T. A. James, of De Soto; Mrs. John Flynn, of Richwoods, and her seven children, and the heirs of Mr. Lawrence Flynn, deceased, of Richwoods, three children. The other owners, the heirs of William Flynn, deceased, sold their share previously to Messrs. M. M. and John Flynn.

Preparations were commenced on Monday last, for elaborate operation of the mine, which is reported to be extremely rich. The vein of lead ore thus far discovered extends for over a quarter of a mile, and varies in thickness from five to fifteen inches, increasing in thickness according to the depth. It is also of the purest quality—nearly solid metal. Hitherto the mineral has been taken out in a perfunctory way by individual miners working with the pick and crowbar, but the new company will proceed differently. They are sinking a shaft which will be continued to a depth of five hundred feet, or more, if necessary, and will construct a crusher and several smelting and refining furnaces similar to those of the St. Joe Lead Company.

About twenty-five or thirty men are now at work and others are being hired as fast as they can be obtained. Excavations are being made for a large reservoir to hold water for the washing of the ore, and a large store has been erected, which is being rapidly stocked with goods. A boarding house and from fifty to one hundred dwellings, for families will soon be under construction. It is the intention of the company in the engagement of employees to give the preference to married men, and to consider those considered unsettled in their habits and incoherent unreliable. In a little while the Gazette hopes to be able to report the flourishing progress of this new and valuable accession to the industries of our sister county, Washington—Southeast Georgia.

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April 14th, 1895.

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James H. Clark, Belgrade, Mo.  
John F. Truett, Southlight, Mo.  
R. M. Norton, Ironvale, Mo.  
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